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House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

January 3, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE DINGELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: God of the Universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

In these final hours of the 116th Congress, we give You thanks for Your faithfulness to our Nation. There have been many struggles, many sorrows, and challenges still as the coronavirus threatens so many in our Nation; in our world.

And yet we are still here and able to give You thanks that there are rays of hope with emerging vaccines. We are grateful, too, for the heroism of so many of our fellow citizens in health care and human services during the pandemic.

May the work of this 116th issue forth to the benefit of our Nation and its citizens, and where the efforts of this Congress have fallen short, we ask Your forgiveness, and the forgiveness of all Americans.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution

967, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 31, 2020.

HON. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 31, 2020, at 3:56 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1472.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4044.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

GLORIA J. LETT,
Deputy Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore CONNOLLY on Thursday, December 31, 2020:

H.R. 221, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to

monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally, and for other purposes;

H.R. 1472, to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park;

H.R. 1923, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue certain circulating collectible coins, and for other purposes;

H.R. 1925, to designate the Manhattan Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs as the "Margaret Cochran Corbin Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System";

H.R. 2744, to authorize the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to prescribe the manner in which programs of the agency are identified overseas, and for other purposes;

H.R. 3153, to designate the Director of the National Science Foundation to support research on opioid addiction, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4044, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4704, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support multidisciplinary research on the science of suicide, and to advance the knowledge and understanding of issues that may be associated with several aspects of suicide including intrinsic and extrinsic factors related to areas such as wellbeing, resilience, and vulnerability;

S. 371, to provide regulatory relief to charitable organizations that provide housing assistance, and for other purposes;

S. 1310, to strengthen the participation of elected national legislators in the activities of the Organization of American States and reaffirm United States support for Organization of American States human rights and

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anti-corruption initiatives, and for other purposes;

S. 5076, to authorize the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate to delegate authority to approve payroll and personnel actions.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, January 2, 2021.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on January 2, 2021, at 12:41 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 5086.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2444.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4508.

That the Senate upon reconsideration, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding, the Senate passed H.R. 6395, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in favor thereof H.R. 6395.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore BEYER on Saturday, January 2, 2021.

H.R. 2444, to authorize the Secretary of State to make direct loans under section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes;

H.R. 4508, to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL) at 11 o'clock and 58 minutes a.m.

EXPENDITURES BY THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL UNDER HOUSE RESOLUTION 6, 116TH CONGRESS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION,
Washington, DC, January 2, 2021.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER, Pursuant to section 302(c) of House Resolution 6 (116th Congress) I hereby submit the attached statement "setting forth the aggregate amounts expended by the Office of General Counsel on outside counsel and other experts pursuant to this title on a quarterly basis" for the quarter beginning on October 1, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020, for publication in the Congressional Record.

Sincerely,

ZOE LOFGREN,
Chairperson.

AGGREGATE AMOUNT EXPENDED ON OUTSIDE COUNSEL OR OTHER EXPERTS—H. RES. 6

January 1–March 31, 2019	\$0.00
April 1–June 30, 2019	\$0.00
July 1–September 30, 2019	\$0.00
October 1–December 31, 2019	\$0.00
January 1–March 31, 2020	\$0.00
April 1–June 30, 2020	\$0.00
July 1–September 30, 2020	\$0.00
October 1–December 31, 2020	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Gloria J. Lett, Deputy Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. CONNOLLY, on Thursday, December 31, 2020:

H.R. 221. An act to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1472. An act to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park.

H.R. 1923. An act to amend title 21, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue certain circulating collectible coins, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1925. An act to designate The Manhattan Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs as the "Margaret Cochran Corbin Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System".

H.R. 2744. An act to authorize the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to prescribe the manner in which programs of the agency are identified overseas, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3153. An act to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support research on opioid addiction, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4044. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4704. An act to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support multidisciplinary research on the science of suicide, and to advance the knowledge and understanding of issues that may be associated with several aspects of suicide including intrinsic and extrinsic factors related to

areas such as wellbeing, resilience, and vulnerability.

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, further reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. BEYER, on Saturday, January 2, 2021:

H.R. 2444. An act to authorize the Secretary of State to make direct loans under section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4508. An act to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker pro tempore, Mr. CONNOLLY, on Thursday, December 31, 2020, announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 371.—An Act to provide regulatory relief to charitable organizations that provide housing assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 1310.—An Act to strengthen the participation of elected national legislators in the activities of the Organization of American States and reaffirm United States support for Organization of American States human rights and anti-corruption initiatives, and for other purposes.

S. 5076.—An Act to authorize the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate to delegate authority to approve payroll and personnel actions.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 24, 2020, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 133. Making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, providing coronavirus emergency response and relief, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1966. To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to complete a study on barriers to participation in federally funded cancer clinical trials by populations that have been traditionally underrepresented in such trials.

H.R. 5023. To name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Youngstown, Ohio, as the "Carl Nunziato VA Clinic".

H.R. 5459. To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to correct a land ownership error within the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6237. To amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to clarify the requirement of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense to reimburse the Indian Health Service for certain health care services.

H.R. 7898. To amend the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to consider certain recognized security practices of covered entities and business associates when making certain determinations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8906. To amend title XXIX of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program under such title relating to lifespan respite care.

H.R. 2468. To amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the preference given,

in awarding certain allergies and asthma-related grants, to States that require certain public schools to have allergies and asthma management programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3976. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12711 East Jefferson Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Aretha Franklin Post Office Building".

H.R. 4356. To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow certain individuals to terminate contracts for telephone, multi-channel video programming, or internet access service, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4983. To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Gilbert, Arizona, as the "Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic".

H.R. 4988. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Walnut Street in Bordentown, New Jersey, as the "Clara Barton Post Office Building".

H.R. 5123. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 476 East Main Street in Galesburg, Illinois, as the "Senior Airman Daniel Miller Post Office Building".

H.R. 5451. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 599 East Genesee Street in Fayetteville, New York, as the "George H. Bacer Post Office Building".

H.R. 5597. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 305 Northwest 5th Street in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as the "Clara Luper Post Office Building".

H.R. 5972. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 Delaware Avenue, Suite 1, in Wilmington, Delaware, as the "Mary Ann Shadd Cary Post Office".

H.R. 5983. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4150 Chicago Avenue in Riverside, California, as the "Woodie Rucker-Hughes Post Office Building".

H.R. 6016. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14955 West Bell Road in Surprise, Arizona, as the "Marc Lee Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 6100. To amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the criminalization of female genital mutilation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6161. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1585 Yanceyville Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, as the "J. Howard Coble Post Office Building".

H.R. 6192. To require the Secretary of the Treasury to honor the 100th anniversary of completion of coinage of the "Morgan Dollar" and the 100th anniversary of commencement of coinage of the "Peace Dollar", and for other purposes.

H.R. 6418. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 509 Fairhope Avenue in Fairhope, Alabama, as the "William 'Jack' Jackson Edwards III Post Office Building".

H.R. 6435. To direct the Federal Trade Commission to develop and disseminate information to the public about scams related to COVID-19, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7088. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 James Street in Reidsville, Georgia, as the "Senator Jack Hill Post Office Building".

H.R. 7105. To provide flexibility for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in caring for homeless veterans during a covered public health emergency, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a retraining assistance program for unemployed veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7259. To allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable.

H.R. 7347. To designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Charles S. Kettles Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

H.R. 7502. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South 16th Street in Clarinda, Iowa, as the "Jessie Field Shambaugh Post Office Building".

H.R. 7810. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3519 East Walnut Street in Pearland, Texas, as the "Tom Reid Post Office Building".

H.R. 8354. To establish the Servicemembers and Veterans Initiative within the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8611. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4755 Southeast Dixie Highway in Port Salerno, Florida, as the "Joseph Bullock Post Office Building".

H.R. 8810. To establish a national program to identify and reduce losses from landslide hazards, to establish a national 3D Elevation Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1503. To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding the list under section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5273. To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to increase to 100 percent the rates of scanning of commercial and passenger vehicles and freight rail entering the United States at land ports of entry along the border using large-scale, nonintrusive inspection systems to enhance border security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5663. To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to give authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, to destroy counterfeit devices.

H.R. 1240. To preserve United States fishing heritage through a national program dedicated to training and assisting the next generation of commercial fishermen.

H.R. 4031. To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5458. To modify the boundary of the Rocky Mountain National Park, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5852. To redesignate the Weir Farm National Historic Site in the State of Connecticut as the "Weir Farm National Historical Park".

H.R. 6335. To deem an urban Indian organization and employees thereof to be a part of the Public Health Service for the purposes of certain claims for personal injury, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7460. To extend the authority for the establishment by the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation of a commemorative work to commemorate the mission of the Peace Corps and the ideals on which the Peace Corps was founded, and for other purposes.

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, further reported that on January 1, 2021, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 1472. To rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park.

H.R. 4044. To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1418. To restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of

health insurance to protect competition and consumers.

H.R. 1492. To update the map of, and modify the maximum acreage available for inclusion in, the Yucca House National Monument.

H.R. 2502. To amend title 40, United States Code, to require certain prospectuses for public buildings to be made publicly available, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3250. To require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5126. To require individuals fishing for Gulf reef fish to use certain descending devices, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5472. To redesignate the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site as the "Jimmy Carter National Historical Park".

H.R. 221. To amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1923. To amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue certain circulating collectible coins, and for other purposes.

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H.R. 4508. To expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program.

SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the 20th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the Chair declares the 116th Congress adjourned sine die.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 58 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

EC-6103. Under clause 2 of rule XIV, a letter from the Program Analyst, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communication Commission, transmitting the Commission's

final rule — Protecting Consumers from One-Ring Scams [CG Docket No.: 20-93] received December 16, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868), was taken from the Speaker's table, referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Omitted from the Record on December 31, 2020]

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York: Committee on Oversight and Reform. Activity Report Committee on Oversight and Reform (Rept. 116-710). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and Labor (Rept. 116-711). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources (Rept. 116-712). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. PALLONE: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Activities of the Committee on Energy and Commerce (Rept. 116-713). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted January 1, 2021]

Mr. PETERSON: Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 116th Congress (Rept. 116-714). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. NADLER: Committee on the Judiciary. Activities of the Committee on the Judiciary (Rept. 116-715). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 2, 2021]

Mrs. LOWEY: Committee on Appropriations. Annual Report on Activities of the Committee on Appropriations During the 116th Congress (Rept. 116-716). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. DEFAZIO: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary on the

Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 116th Congress (Rept. 116-717). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. WATERS: Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services (Rept. 116-718). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Report of Activities of the Committee on Science, Space and Technology (Rept. 116-719). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security (Rept. 116-720). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. NEAL: Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress (Rept. 116-721). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.



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Senate

The Senate met at 11:45 and 3 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable LINDSEY GRAHAM, a Senator from the State of South Carolina.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, January 3, 2021.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable LINDSEY GRAHAM, a Senator from the State of South Carolina, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. GRAHAM thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned under the previous order.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11:45 and 35 seconds a.m., adjourned sine die.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING JACQUE CHEVALIER
MOSELY FOR HER SERVICE TO
THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
AND LABOR

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise to thank and pay tribute to Jacqueline "Jacque" Chevalier Mosely, who served the Committee in multiple roles throughout the years and most recently the Education Policy Director for the Committee on Education and Labor.

Jacque came to Capitol Hill more than seven years ago, joining the Committee staff with a focus on students with disabilities and the privacy rights of students in education. Over the years, Jacque expanded her portfolio to lead the Committee's work on K-12 education generally. She quickly distinguished herself with her mastery of education policy, expertly leading negotiations for House Democrats during the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act in the 114th Congress. She secured vital changes to the partisan House bill, which initially received zero Democratic votes in the House, to help produce the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Her deft work with her colleagues on ESSA resulted in a reauthorization bill that garnered overwhelming bipartisan support in both Chambers and was signed into law by President Obama in December 2015. Over the next few years, Jacque rose through the ranks on the Committee staff to lead this team of educational policy experts who would work to reauthorize laws including the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, the Juvenile Justice Delinquency and Prevention Act of 1974, and to permanently authorize mandatory funding for HBCUs and other MSIs in the FUTURE Act.

Additionally, Jacque worked closely with her colleagues on the Committee to draft Member legislation to ensure fair wages for individuals with disabilities, led Committee Members' efforts drafting legislation to ensure fair wages for individuals with disabilities, modernize and expand workforce training and development, expand college affordability, improve services for disadvantaged students and youth, increase access to child care for working families, expand child abuse prevention and training services, and bolster enforcement of civil rights laws in education. All the while, Jacque kept a close eye on the Administration, regardless of party, to ensure accountability and equity in the public education system.

Throughout her tenure, Jacque solidified bipartisan and bicameral relationships on the Hill which helped produce policy proposals that advanced the goals of Committee Members and also garnered support across the aisle or in the other chamber. Jacque took to heart the principle outlined in the seminal *Brown v. Board of Education* decision which

struck down de jure segregation in education. In that decision, the Supreme Court noted that "education is perhaps the most important function of state and local governments" and that "[s]uch an opportunity, where the state has undertaken to provide it, is a right which must be made available to all on equal terms." She dedicated herself to ridding federal education policy of the vestiges of segregation. It is fitting that as she transitions from her public service on the Committee, she is able to claim a final legislative success in working with her colleagues on the Appropriations Committee to remove the odious, nearly 50-year old provisions of education and appropriations law, barring federal funds from being used for busing to achieve racial integration.

Jacque has left no doubt of her commitment to equity in public education, to the institution of the House, and to accountability of government to the public. I wish her great success as she transitions to her next endeavor, which I know will include extra time with her husband, Ben, and her son, Fletcher.

Madam Speaker, I speak for the Committee staff, Ranking Member VIRGINIA FOXX, and all the members of the Committee on Education and Labor in thanking Jacqueline Chevalier Mosely for her service to this House and to the American people.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARKWAYNE MULLIN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. MULLIN. Madam Speaker, I was not present December 28, 2020 on account of travel delays. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 252, and NAY on Roll Call No. 253.

FAREWELL REMARKS

HON. KWANZA HALL

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. HALL. Madam Speaker, I rise today for my final remarks for the 116th Congress.

The last few weeks have been a whirlwind. Many late-night votes and short cat naps before hopping on a plane.

As I pack up my office and say goodbye to new staff and colleagues, I am filled with mixed emotions. Although by most accounts we accomplished far more than anyone expected, there is still much to do, and I wish I had more time to work.

I want to thank the voters of the 5th Congressional District for putting their trust and faith in me to represent the best interests of our district.

It was an absolute honor to be the late and Honorable John Lewis' successor and continue his 30+ years of work.

I extend a special thank you to Speaker PELOSI, Leader HOYER, Congressman CLYBURN, and Congresswoman MAXINE WATERS for extending their friendship and taking me under their wing.

I also want to thank the Georgia delegation of Republicans and Democrats for extending me a warm welcome.

With their help, I was able to introduce multiple pieces of legislation and effectively advocate for our district while in D.C.

Additionally I want to express my deep gratitude to the Clerk of the House, the Parliamentarian and the Sergeant at Arms for their support.

And we certainly were effective.

The expectation many people had was for a few days in active session to simply vote on a basic budget bill.

Instead, we passed significant financial relief for our residents, including direct \$600 stimulus checks, rental assistance, expansion of the PPP for small and minority-owned businesses, additional SNAP and unemployment funding, eviction and foreclosure moratorium extensions and more.

I was also able to introduce six pieces of legislation, cosponsor fourteen bills, and I was able to shine a spotlight on much needed infrastructure projects for the south side of the district.

And in the local district office, we fielded close to 190 inquiries and helped over 140 constituents with issues they were having with federal agencies.

I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate and welcome my successor Congresswoman-elect Nikema Williams.

My team and I have been working throughout the holiday to ensure a smooth transition.

Our residents will continue to be in good hands when she is sworn in on January 3rd and begins serving the district.

May God bless the 5th Congressional District of Georgia.

It has been my greatest honor to serve in Congress and our nation.

EXPRESSING THANKS TO THE
PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN'S THIRD
DISTRICT AND STAFF

HON. JUSTIN AMASH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. AMASH. Madam Speaker, I rise to thank the people of Michigan's Third District for blessing me with the awesome responsibility of representing them in Congress these many years. I also want to thank my staff for their love, dedication, and integrity—for their commitment to the people we represent and to the Constitution.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, due to a preexisting family obligation, I was unable to participate in the votes scheduled for Monday, December 28, 2020. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 252, and YEA on Roll Call No. 253.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL WALTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Mr. WALTZ. Madam Speaker, I was sick in November and missed the following roll call votes. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 219; YEA on Roll Call No. 220; YEA on Roll Call No. 221; YEA on Roll Call No. 222; NAY on Roll Call No. 223; NAY on Roll Call No. 224; NAY on Roll Call No. 225; YEA on Roll Call No. 226; and NAY on Roll Call No. 227.

REFLECTIONS ON THE 116TH CONGRESS

HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to speak about the 116th Congress, which was as historic as it was harrowing. These last two years stretched and struck us at our core. At the same time, they inspired us like nothing before. No matter what, every single day, I was proud and grateful for the chance to represent the families of New York's Sixth Congressional District.

Against the backdrop of the most diverse Congress ever, and with a record number of elected women, the 116th Congress commenced in midst of the longest shutdown in the history of our country. The humanitarian crisis at the border crushed our souls. The House of Representatives impeached President Trump for abuse of power and obstruction of justice. The dehumanizing death of George Floyd absolutely shocked our nation. But millions of people—from all walks of life—came together to protest the ongoing systemic racial injustice and police brutality.

And of course, the COVID-19 pandemic has upended every facet of our lives. As of today, there are over 20 million cases in the U.S., and over 350,000 Americans who have died from COVID-19. Earlier in 2020, when New York was at the epicenter of the COVID-19 crisis, my congressional district was the nexus of that epicenter. In fact, my district was the harbinger of what the rest of our nation is fighting right now. Elmhurst Hospital, which is in my district, was hit particularly hard with a surge of patients. It was operating with limited Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and ventilators.

I heard from frontline health care workers, and cried with them, as they feared for their

lives and begged our federal government to provide the necessary PPE. I called on President Trump to activate the Defense Production Act, and the FEMA Administrator to help and prioritize critical resources to our local hospitals and nursing homes. And I secured, delivered, and facilitated PPE donations to union workers and other non-health care workers.

I met with small business owners, especially those in predominantly Asian American neighborhoods, who had been severely impacted by xenophobia—even before the first known COVID-19 cases in New York. I also heard from constituents who are essential workers, many of whom come from our immigrant communities—the janitors, grocers, and transit workers. Even as the pandemic ravaged our city, I was heartened by the strength and perseverance of these constituents who showed up—and continue to show up—every single day to keep New York City safe and running.

Madam Speaker, no matter what, I never lost sight of my sworn duty to uphold and defend the Constitution, and to fight for my constituents.

During the 116th Congress, I was proud to help pass a number of robust legislation on behalf of my constituents and the American people. From lowering health care costs and prescription drug prices to ensuring women receive equal pay for equal work; from curbing the gun violence epidemic by strengthening background checks for gun sales to providing a pathway to citizenship for those who have only known this country, such as the Dreamers or TPS and DED holders—I am proud to have helped pass life-saving and life-enhancing bills. Unfortunately, too many of these bills languished in the Senate; because of Senate Majority Leader MCCONNELL's and Senate Republican's shameful inaction and disregard, these bills never saw the light of day.

This year has been especially challenging as people all over my district and across the country face the excruciating pain, loss, and fear over the health and economic fallout of COVID-19. Furthermore, be it economic, educational, or health, this pandemic has exposed and exacerbated existing disparities, wherein communities of color are the hardest hit.

For Asian Americans, however, they are fighting an additional battle—one against xenophobia. Since the beginning of the pandemic, Asian Americans in my district and across the nation endured demeaning and dangerous acts of hate and bigotry. That is why I introduced H. Res. 908—a resolution condemning all forms of anti-Asian sentiment as related to COVID-19. The resolution garnered 157 cosponsors and was endorsed by over 500 organizations from across the country. The Senate companion of my resolution was introduced by now-Vice President-elect KAMALA HARRIS, and Senators DUCKWORTH and HIRONO. I am grateful this legislation passed the House of Representatives, and thankful to my colleagues who bravely voted for this legislation. Passage of this resolution sends a clear signal to the American people that we reject racism, xenophobia, and violence. It also honors the more than 2 million Asian Americans who are fighting on the frontlines of this pandemic.

With regards to COVID-19, I am grateful to have helped deliver three critical and life-saving corona virus relief packages this year. Shamefully, because of Senate Republicans, the third and most recent relief package passed nearly nine months since American

families received any relief from the federal government. It's beyond infuriating that the Senate Republicans kept any relief at bay—even though House Democrats passed COVID-19 relief packages in May and October, both of which would have been more meaningful and impactful. But with cases and deaths surging, millions unemployed, families on the cusp of eviction, and an untold number of families struggling to put food on the table, I had to vote for this package.

As we look to the 117th Congress, we must pass a stronger relief bill—one that truly reflects our values and acknowledges the unprecedented hardships that millions of Americans are facing. We cannot let those who have passed—to have died in vain. The only way we will rise above this crisis is to meet it head on with a comprehensive package that puts American families and workers first.

Madam Speaker, at the start of the 116th Congress, I joined the Homeland Security Subcommittee on the House Appropriations Committee. It has been my honor to serve on this subcommittee, as well as the Commerce, Justice, and Science, and State, Foreign Operations Subcommittees—on behalf of my congressional district and State of New York.

During the 116th Congress, my good friend Representative NITA LOWEY made 'herstory' as she took up the gavel and became the first female chair of the House Appropriations Committee. I will greatly miss Chairwoman LOWEY, as well as my esteemed colleague and chair of our Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee, Chairman SERRANO. I wish them both strength and blessings in their retirement at the end of this 116th Congress.

I am proud that our committee passed all 12 of the spending bills for the Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021. Spending bill packages for each fiscal year amounted to \$1.4 trillion—totaling \$2.8 trillion during this 116th Congress. Among the many provisions I was proud to have helped secure, I am especially pleased the two spending packages included \$50 million for federal research at the CDC and NIH into our nation's gun violence epidemic—the first time in over 20 years such funding was allowed. I am also glad the recent Fiscal Year 2021 spending bill includes \$114 billion for SNAP; \$6 billion for WIC; a new \$5 million to develop databases to track excessive use of force and officer misconduct; \$9.24 billion to ensure clean air and water, and hold polluters accountable; \$3.8 billion for opioid prevention and treatment; \$5.9 billion for the Child Care and Development Block Grant; \$952 million for Senior Nutrition programs; \$789 million for minority serving institutions; \$90 billion for VA medical care, including suicide prevention and outreach, homelessness, and gender-specific care; and \$3.5 billion for Community Development Block Grants, which the President proposed eliminating.

I would also like to take this opportunity to include in the RECORD the following work that became law this Congress on behalf of the people of the Sixth Congressional District of New York:

H.R. 4567, the "FAFSA Translation Act", which requires the Department of Education to translate FAFSA into no fewer than 11 foreign languages, and to make these translated forms available in paper and electronic formats, which appears on Page 2779 in Sec. 483 of Title VII, Division FF of the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021."

Sec. 2(a)(2) of H.R. 1922, “Restoring Access to Medication Act”, which permits the purchase of menstrual hygiene products using health flexible spending accounts, as Sec. 3702 of Public Law 116-136, the “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act”—or the “CARES Act”. This provision stems from my comprehensive menstrual equity legislation H.R. 1882, the “Menstrual Equity for All Act”.

H.R. 6040, the “Small Business Relief From Communicable Disease Induced Economic Hardship Act of 2020” (introduced with Representatives Velázquez and CHU), which appears as Title II of the “Families First Coronavirus Response Act” (Public Law 116-116-127). Included in the first COVID-19 relief package, this measure allowed the Small Business Act Administration (SBA) to provide an estimated \$7 billion in loans to help small businesses impacted by financial losses as a result of the coronavirus outbreak.

Sec. 316 of the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”, which makes housing co-ops eligible for forgivable loans under the Paycheck Protection Program, which appears on Page 171 of Title III, Division N.

Sec. 2877 of Public Law 116-92, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020”, which requires the Defense Department to submit a report on the number of military installations that may have lead service lines; what steps DOD has taken to replace such lines; and whether DOD has established an awareness campaign to inform military service members and their families of these service lines (via amendment no. 12 to H.R. 2500).

Sec. 1596 of the “William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, which permanently authorizes the National Guard Suicide Prevention program (via amendment no. 202 to H.R. 6395). This program includes suicide prevention and resilience programming for member of the National Guard and Reserves and their families. I have worked to extend this program over the last several years.

Sec. 557 of the “William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, which adds an assessment of barriers to English language learners into evaluation of barriers to minority participation in the Armed Forces (via amendment no. 200 to H.R. 6395).

7.56 billion in new discretionary funding for the U.S. Census Bureau in order to fully fund a fair and accurate 2020 Decennial Census, which appeared in H.R. 1158, “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020”, Division B, Public Law 116-93. This is \$3.7 billion above what was provided in Fiscal Year 2019.

\$270 million for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program, the federal initiative that provides houses of worship and nonprofit entities with funding to protect their properties against threats and attacks, in combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021, including a record breaking \$180 million for FY21 funding.

\$271 million for the Small Business Development Centers, a federal initiative that helps small businesses grow and thrive, in combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021. In fact, in May 2019, I helped launched the SBDC at Queens College after securing funding to establish the Center.

45.5 million for Women’s Business Centers in the combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

\$192 million for YouthBuild—a community-based pre-apprenticeship program that provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth—in the combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

As Co-Chair of the Congressional Hepatitis Caucus, I secured \$78.5 million for the Divi-

sion of Viral Hepatitis in the combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

\$2 million for first-time grants for “Family Friendly Visitation Spaces in Correctional Facilities”, which appears on Page 178 of Title II, Division B of the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”. States and localities may use this grant funding to provide child-friendly visitation spaces. The aim of this funding is to preserve positive family connections in order to reduce recidivism and intergenerational criminal justice system involvement, plus to promote healthy child development.

“Religious freedom in prisons”—directing DOJ to ensure the Constitutional religious rights and needs of incarcerated individuals by: accommodating prayer services, devotional items, religious holiday observances, and dietary restrictions; training of Bureau of Prisons (BOP) employees; and conducting compliance reviews of no fewer than 25 BOP facilities every three years, which appears on Page 84 of House Report 116-455 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”).

\$3.5 million for first-time grants for “Family-Based Alternative Sentencing Pilot Programs”, which appears on Page 178 of Title II, Division B of the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”. These programs will allow parents to remain with their dependent children while receiving wraparound services, rather than being incarcerated.

“Menstrual hygiene products” which appears on Page 62 of House Report 116-101 (accompanying Public Law 116-93, the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020,” Division B). Related to my bill, the “Menstrual Equity for All Act” (H.R. 1882), this provision ensures prisoners are provided menstrual hygiene products at no cost and at a quantity the prisoner deems sufficient, directs the Director of BOP to provide a guidance on the distribution and accessibility of these products to all prisoners in BOP custody, and ensures no visitor is prohibited from visiting an incarcerated individual due to the visitor’s usage of menstrual hygiene products.

“Mail Fishing”, which appears on Page 106 of House Report 116-456 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “Keep Mail Safe Act” (H.R. 3579), this provision ensures oversight of USPS’s efforts to retrofit mail collection boxes.

“Safe transportation of waste and debris”, which appears on Page 53 of House Report 116-106 (accompanying Public Law 116-94, the “Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020”). Related to my bill, the “Train Coverings for Community Safety Act”, this provision calls on FRA to ensure the safe transportation of waste and debris by rail.

Provision regarding recall reform, which appears on Page 56 of House Report 116-456 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill the “Total Recall Act” (H.R. 5097), this provision addresses low participation rates for products recalled by the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

“Women Entrepreneurs and Women-owned Businesses”, which appears on Page 100 of House Report 116-456 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill the “Interagency Committee on Women’s Business Enterprise Act” (H.R. 4569), this provision calls on the SBA to increase outreach and direct support to women entrepreneurs.

“Menstrual Product Labeling”, which appears on Page 89 of House Report 116-446 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “Menstrual Products Right To Know Act” (H.R. 2268), this provision aims to make men-

strual hygiene products safer by ensuring that women know what they are putting in their bodies.

“Title IX”, which appears on Page 286 of House Report 116-450 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “Supporting Survivors of Sexual Harassment in Schools Act of 2020” (H.R. 8193), this provision directs the Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights to report on the status of Title IX coordinators, prevalence of rape in schools, and to submit recommendations to prevent, mitigate, and address sexual harassment, assault, and rape in schools.

“Youth Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy”, which appears on Page 258 of House Report 116-450 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “21st Century Youth Entrepreneurship Act” (H.R. 5253), this provision directs the Department of Education to support entrepreneurship and financial literacy programs for students.

“Food Additives”, which appears on Page 86 of House Report 116-446 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “Get Additives Out Act” (H.R. 2269), this provision requires a report to Congress on the effects of direct and indirect food additives to determine if they pose physical and behavioral health risks to children.

Commissioned a first-time study by the Office on Women’s Health to report on affordability and accessibility of menstrual hygiene products by race, socioeconomic status, age, and within institutions, including public schools, colleges, and universities, which appears on House Reports 116-62 and 116-450. Related to my bill, the “Menstrual Equity for All Act” (H.R. 1882), this provision seeks to address the underlying issues of period poverty.

“Gender-Based Violence”, which directs the State Department and USAID to assess the implementation and delivery of humanitarian assistance to prevent, mitigate, and address sexual and gender-based violence in humanitarian crises. Related to my bill, the “Safe from the Start Act” (H.R. 4092), this provision appears on Page 89 of Title VII, Division K of the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”.

Urged the support for reunification of Korean Americans and their families in North Korea, which appears on House Reports 116-444 and 116-78. This provision is related to my bill, the “Divided Families Reunification Act” (H.R. 1771).

“Hygiene Products”, which appears on Page 28 of House Report 116-447 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). Related to my bill, the “Menstrual Hygiene Products in Federal Buildings Act” (H.R. 2403), this provision directs the Committee on House Administration to report on the feasibility of making menstrual products available at no cost in House office buildings.

Directed the Department of Education to report on higher education institutional support and outreach for students who are parents, which appears on Page 273 of House Report 116-450 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”).

“Gender-Neutral Facilities”, which appears on Page 28 of House Report 116-447 (accompanying the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021”). This provision directs the Architect of the Capitol to incorporate gender-neutral bathrooms in future construction and remodeling projects for House office buildings—thus ensuring that the People’s House is indeed, for all people.

Furthermore, as the only Asian American Appropriator in Congress. I

was also re-elected as the Appropriations Task Force Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, where I fight to ensure our federal dollars prioritize the health, livelihood, food security, housing needs, education, and civil liberties of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI). For the most recent Fiscal Year 2021 federal spending, I led and coordinated Caucus appropriations requests that resulted in securing nearly \$160 billion in federal funding for AAPI community priorities.

\$124 million for racial and ethnic approaches to community health, for the combined spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

\$532 million for Community Development Financial Institutions Fund in the combined spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

\$90 million for the Minority Business Development Administration in combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 to support minority businesses around the country.

Over \$9.5 million for AANAPISIs in the combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

\$1.2 million for the Asian Pacific American Center at the Smithsonian in the combined federal spending packages for Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021.

"Incarcerated AAPI Data", which appears on Page 95 of House Report 116-455 (accompanying the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021"). This provision directs the Bureau of Justice Statistics to collect and report data on incarcerated AAPIS.

Directed the SBA to increase outreach and direct support to small businesses in underserved communities, including the Asian American community, and to increase engagement with minority serving institutions in its programming and grant making, per House Report 116-456 (accompanying the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021").

Directed the Department of Education to collect and report disaggregated AAPI data of student bullying per House Report 116-450 (accompanying the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021"). Improving data in this area will help combat increased rates of bullying of AAPI students, particularly light of COVID-19-related increase in anti-Asian sentiment.

Supported the collaboration of the National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center, and the Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education Project, which appears on Page 139 of House Report 116-448 (accompanying the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021").

As a member of the Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee, I am proud to have led the charge in Congress against President Trump's unconstitutional attack against our immigrant communities. I secured an amendment in the House-passed Fiscal Year 2020 CJS Appropriations Bill to prohibit the citizenship question on the 2020 Decennial Census. Furthermore, my bill "No Funds for Apportionment Exclusion Act" (H.R. 7724) was included as an amendment in the House-passed Fiscal Year 2021 CJS spending package, in order to stop President Trump's attempt to exclude undocumented immigrants from being counted in congressional apportionment.

Additionally, I am also proud to have secured passage of the following legislation through the U.S. House of Representatives

during the 116th Congress, and will continue to fight to secure passage of these measures into law in the 117th Congress:

H.R. 615, the "Refugee Sanitation Facility Safety Act of 2019", which would keep women and girls safe in refugee camps.

H.R. 1771, the "Divided Families Reunification Act", seeks to reunite Korean Americans with their family in North Korea.

H.R. 3949, the Safe Drinking Water in Playgrounds and Parks Act, which would create a new \$5 million grant program to replace water fountains at public playgrounds and parks, as Sec. 33106 of the "Moving Forward Act", (via amendment no. 47 to H.R. 2).

Sec. 6011 of the "Moving Forward Act", which would require covers on all rail cars to protect communities near rails from debris and odors. This section stems from my bill the Train Coverings for Community Safety Act (submitted via amendment no. 198 to H.R. 2).

Sec. 40011 of the "Moving Forward Act", which would ensure safe public transportation for pregnant women (via amendment no. 42 to H.R. 2).

Sec., 3005 of H.R. 2, the "Moving Forward Act", which would require the race and ethnicity of officers who stop motor vehicles on highways, as well as the race/ethnicity of the driver (via amendment no. 45 to H.R. 2).

Sec. 60022 of the "Moving Forward Act", which would require a GAO study of housing needs of populations at higher risk of homelessness, and recommend policy and practice changes by federal agencies to ensure housing infrastructure needs of those populations are better met (via Jayapal, Meng amendment no. 129 to H.R. 2).

Sec. 2601 of the "Moving Forward Act", which would require as part of the National Transit Frontline Workforce Training Center training methods that would cater to the needs of diverse participants (via amendment no. 43 to H.R. 2).

Sec. 1801 of H.R. 1, the "For the People Act of 2019," which would require that poll workers receive training that would enable them to provide access and delivery of services in a culturally competent manner to all voters, including those with limited English proficiency, diverse cultural ethnic backgrounds, disabilities, and regardless of gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity. These methods must ensure that each voter will have access to poll worker services that are delivered in a manner that meets the unique needs of the voter (via amendment no. 42 to H.R. 1).

Sec. 114 and Sec. 112 of the "National Apprenticeship Act of 2020", to include user-friendly formats and languages that are easily accessible in efforts to promote youth apprenticeships and greater diversity in national apprenticeship system; and, to include the FCC under the Ex Officio nonvoting members section of the National Advisory Committee on Apprenticeships (via amendment no. 149 to H.R. 8294).

Sec. 1101 of the "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019", to ensure that parenting classes are made available to prisoners with limited English proficiency (via H.Amdt. 133 or amendment no. 17 to H.R. 1585).

Sec. 1102 of the "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019", to direct the Director of BOP to develop tools to communicate parenting program availability and eligibility criteria to each BOP employee and each pregnant inmate to ensure that each pregnant inmate understands the resources available to them (via H.Amdt. 134 or amendment no. 18 to H.R. 1585).

Sec. 1101 of the "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019", to ensure that cultural competency training is included in trauma screening trainings provided to correctional officers, and each BOP employee, including instructors and health care professionals (via H.Amdt. 135 or amendment no. 19 to H.R. 1585).

Sec. 2 of the "Climate Action Now Act", to recognize the fundamental priority of safeguarding food security and ending hunger, and the particular vulnerabilities of food production systems to the adverse impacts of climate change (via H.Amdt. 181 or amendment no. 14 to H.R. 9).

Sec. 6 of the "United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019", to include Asian American- and Native American Pacific Islander-serving Institutions in recruitment efforts to diversify the United States Export Finance Agency workforce (via H.Amdt. 674 or amendment no. 10 to H.R. 4863).

Sec. 6 of the "United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019", which would include paid internships in recruitment efforts (via H.Amdt. 675 or amendment no. 11 to H.R. 4863).

Sec. 6 of the "United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019", to include community colleges in recruitment efforts to diversify the United States Export Finance Agency (via H.Amdt. 676 or amendment no. 12 to H.R. 4863).

Sec. 6 of the "United States Export Finance Agency Act of 2019", to amend 12 USC 635a(d) to add 2 additional advisory committee members—one who represent higher education of 4-year institutions and one who represent community colleges (via H.Amdt. 677 or amendment no. 13 to H.R. 4863).

Sec. 572 of the House-passed "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020", which would permit any member of the armed services who gives birth to be exempt from deployment for 12 months after such birth unless they request deployment. Currently, only members who give birth while on active duty are coverage lines (via amendment no. 13 to H.R. 2500).

Sec. 1245 of the House-passed "William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021", which would add into the sense of Congress on burden sharing by partners and allies a provision to engage South Korea and Japan in fair and equitable negotiations regarding their respective special measures agreements (via amendment no. 198 to H.R. 6395).

Sec. 724 of the House-passed "William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021", which would require all materials prepared by the DOD for the general public relating to COVID-19 be translated into other language (via amendment no. 724).

I am also grateful that the Committee on House Administration held a hearing on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 entitled "Oversight of the Smithsonian Institution: Opportunities for Growth by Honoring Latino Americans and Asian Pacific Americans", which included my bill H.R. 4132—the "Commission to Study the Potential Creation of National Museum of Asian Pacific American History and Culture Act".

Madam Speaker, there is no greater honor than serving the constituents of New York's Sixth Congressional District. As we look to the 117th Congress, I will continue to keep their safety, health, and well-being at the heart of my work in Congress.

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 11:45:03 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:45:35 a.m. until 12 noon, on the same day.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: There were no Public Bills or Resolutions introduced in today's Record.

Additional Cosponsors:

Reports Filed: A report was filed on December 31, 2020 as follows: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Activities of the Committee on Energy and Commerce (H. Rept. 116–713).

Reports were filed on January 1, 2021 as follows: Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 116th Congress (H. Rept. 116–714); and

Committee on the Judiciary. Activities of the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 116–715).

Reports were filed on January 2, 2021 as follows: Committee on Appropriations. Annual Report on Activities of the Committee on Appropriations During the 116th Congress (H. Rept. 116–716);

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary on the Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 116th Congress (H. Rept. 116–717);

Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services (H. Rept. 116–718);

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Report of Activities of the Committee on Science, Space and Technology (H. Rept. 116–719);

Committee on Homeland Security. Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security (H. Rept. 116–720); and

Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress (H. Rept. 116–721).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Dingell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 11:58 a.m.

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Senate Referral: S. 5086 was held at the desk.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H9181, H9182.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and at 11:58 a.m. the Chair declared the One Hundred Sixteenth Congress adjourned sine die, pursuant to the 20th amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SUNDAY,
JANUARY 3, 2021**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

House Committees

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Sunday, January 3

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Sunday, January 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Sunday: Senate will convene the first session of the 117th Congress.

House Chamber

Program for Sunday: House will convene the First Session of the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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